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SUBJECT: KOREA AT THE 30TH UNGA -- GHANA POSITION

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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. YOU SHOULD PERSONALLY MAKE CLEAR AT THE HIGHEST
APPROPRIATE LEVEL IN GOG THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH WE VIEW
THE KOREA QUESTION AT THE UNGA.

2. WE DO NOT ACCEPT EXPLANATION OF THE GOG POSITION
REPORTED PARAGRAPH 3 REFTEL. SEVERAL OTHER COSPONSORS OF
THE NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION HAVE INDICATED TO US THAT THEY
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WILL ABSTAIN FROM VOTING ON THE ISSUE, OR NOT BE PRESENT

AND GIVEN THE MINIMAL GHANAIAAN INTEREST IN THIS MATTER OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE TO THE USG, WE WOULD EXPECT THAT GOG COULD ABSTAIN IF IT WISHED TO DO SO. WE DO NOT ACCEPT AS TRULY NONALIGNED A POSITION WHICH ABSTAINS ON OUR RESOLUTION INTENDED TO BE FORTHCOMING ON THE ISSUE OF PEACE AND SECURITY ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND A POSITIVEVOTE FOR A RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD BE DESTABILIZING IN AN AREA WHERE WE HAVE MAJOR SECURITY INTERESTS.

3. YOU MAY INFORM THE GOG THAT WE ARE VERY CLOSE TO DEFEATING THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION, AND WE VOULD NOT UNDERSTAND PASSAGE OF THE HOSTILE RESOLUTPON BECAUSE OF A FEW VOTES OF FRIENDLY COUNTRIES SUCH AS GHANA.

4. GOG SHOQLD ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT, AS THE SECRETARY'S LETTER DEMONSTRATES, THE KOREA QUESTION IS OF SUFFICIENT IMPORTANCE TO US THAT IT CANNOT FAIL TO BE REFLECTED IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP. KISSINGER

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